#### SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017 SECOND SUNDARY OF LENT

5:00PM Cheryl Barbara

8:00AM Deborah Kim

10:00AM Antonia Busanic

12:00PM Nikola Morin

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 13**

8:00AM Grgo Matesic

11:30AM Catherine & James Scotti & Robert Zweiman

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 14**

8:00AM John Tarabocchia

11:30AM Maria & Mirko Marusic –

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

8:00AM John Tarabocchia

11:30AM Marie Cuccurullo

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 16

8:00AM Mira Maric

11:30AM Maria Lechich

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 17

ST. PATRICK

8:00AM Maria Busanic

11:30AM Giovanni & Dinko Morin

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 18**

ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

11:30AM Biagio Hroncich

5:00PM David Hans

# SUNDAY, MARCH 19

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

**8:**00AM Beppino Bussanich 10:00AM Matteo Hroncich

12:00PM Michael Pallotta

#### ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Peter Jeon

#### ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

Renata Lee

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of

Dr. & Mrs. Arthur Scullion

#### MASS CANDLES

In Memory of

Anna Wenderoth

## PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

#### Ex 17:3-7

God gives Moses life-giving water

#### Psalm 95

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

#### Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

God's love for us is freely given in Christ

#### Jn 4:5-42

Jesus reveals himself to the outcast woman

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioner:

.......We prepare yet again for the great celebration of the Feast of Easter by entering into the forty days of Lenten Retreat. Keep your eyes open for the bulletin where several activities planned for Lent will be posted including our Lenten Mission, our Lenten Soup Supper, the progress of our RCIA candidates toward full communion in the Church of the Epiphany, and the devotion of the Stations of the Cross.

.......Our new Cardinal has announced the inception of the Sharing God's Blessing Annual Appeal which began several weeks ago. Our goal for this Appeal is \$33,281.00. Once again, the Diocese is asking us to be aware of our calling to care for those in need. Thank you for your kind generosity in the past and we ask that you prayerfully consider this year's Annual Appeal. ............I ask you to save the date for our Parish Mission which is scheduled for three Mondays in Lent – March 20th, March 27th, and April 3rd. Fr. Giordano Belanich will be our guest speaker. Some of you may recognize him as one of our substitute priests. Fr. Gio will speak at the 11:30AM Mass and also at 7:00PM on the three Mission days. Please plan to attend this Mission

and use this time of penance and renewal to prepare for the great feast of Easter.

.........I invite you to remember in your prayers our four RCIA candidates: Andrew Poye, Jacqueline Poye, Chad Armstrong, and Yvette Melian...Andrew and Chad are looking to convert to the Catholic faith from another Christian denomination...and Jacqueline and Yvette are both baptized Catholics looking to receive Confirmation as adults...They will continue to study and pray with our congregation as they prepare to become members of the Church of the Epiphany at Easter. We usually gather at the 10:00AM Mass and the congregation for that Mass has gotten to know our RCIA candidates. I will be bringing them to all the other Masses during Lent. We are scheduled to be at the 5:00PM Mass on Saturday, the 11th of March, the 8:00AM Mass on Sunday, the 19th of March and the 12 Noon Mass on Sunday, the 26th of March. We will be praying a special prayer for our RCIA candidates and afterward the people at that Mass will have an opportunity to speak a personal word of support and caring. Please offer these candidates a hearty Epiphany welcome.

God bless,

Fr. Ken

#### PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you for sharing the gift of your treasure so that we can continue to do God's work here.

March 5th

Sunday Collection\$6,226.00Assessment Collection\$2,192.00Retired Priests' Collection\$3,750.00

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you." – Genesis 12:1

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we may have to struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live.

#### **BINGO**



TUESDAY BINGO IS SUSPENDED UNTIL THE SPRING. IT WILL REOPEN IN MARCH OR APRIL. WATCH FOR THE OPENING DATE! BINGO WILL BE PLAYED ON THURSDAY AFTERNOONS AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE GAMES AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF AND HAVE SOME FUN.

#### SPRING CRAFT SHOW/SALE

Saint Joseph Regional High School, Montvale, will hold a Spring Craft Show/Sale on Sunday, March  $26^{th}$  from 10:00AM until 4:00PM, showcasing the talents of 100 crafts people and fine artists including many new crafters. Admission is \$2.00 Children and senior citizens (65+) are free. No strollers will be permitted.

#### **QUO VADIS RETREAT**

A Quo Vadis Retreat is for young men in high school. It is an opportunity to examine where one's life is going. This retreat is designed to help young men understand their baptismal call to holiness, via married life, religious life or the priesthood. On this retreat, young men will be able to take time to ask the Lord where it is that He desires to send them. The website is <a href="https://www.NewPriestNJ.com">www.NewPriestNJ.com</a> and the phone number is 973-313-6190.

"YOU SAY: 'I'M AFRAID.' GOD SAYS: 'I HAVE NOT GIVEN YOU A SPIRIT OF FEAR!""



#### SAINT PATRICK/ST. JOSEPH'S DINNER-DANCE

ONLY ONE WEEK LEFT to purchase tickets for our Saint Patrick/St. Joseph's Dinner Dance to be held on Saturday, March 18th. Featured will be a family-style sit-down corned beef and cabbage dinner with all the trimmings catered by Giresi's Caterers, soda, water and beer. BYOB Music will be by Shooting Star Entertainment – DJ Nick. Raffles will be featured. Tickets are \$33 per person and can be purchased at the rectory. Proceeds will benefit our Heritage Fund for the Rectory Basement carpeting. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

# WILLIAM H. CRON SCHOLARSHIP FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

We have a scholarship for a beginning or current college student who is an active parishioner of Epiphany Church who will be an entering freshman, in the fall of 2017 or is currently enrolled in a four-year college as a sophomore or junior. One \$2,500 scholarship will be awarded annually. New applications will have to be submitted yearly. Applications for the scholarship can be obtained from the parish office. The deadline for applications is May 1st. The scholarship will be awarded on June 11th.

#### NEEDED: NEW OR USED COMMUNION DRESSES & SUITS

The Office of Development and Stewardship of the Archdiocese of Newark will be collecting gently used, in good condition, Communion dresses/veils, suits and shoes for our inner city parishes, the Religious Sisters of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart who know families in need, and any parishioner in need of one for their child. A child's First Communion is a special day and the Diocese is trying to make sure financial hardship does not stand in the way of it being as special as it can be. All items can be dropped off at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Avenue, Newark beginning Monday, February 27 through March between the hours of 9:00AM and 4:00PM. Outfits will be distributed in April.

#### GOLDEN, SILVER & FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

April  $30^{th}$  – 3:00PM – 25 & 5 years (all counties) May 7 – 3:00PM – 50 years (all counties)

The Archdiocese will honor all couples married 50, 25 and 5 years at the Cathedral Basilica, Newark. You must come to the rectory to fill out a form for any of these anniversaries. All reservations must be made two weeks before the Mass is scheduled. Cardinal Tobin will be the main celebrant at all Masses. Please call the Family Life Office at 973-497-4323 if you have any questions.

# SPECIAL HEALING MASS

A special Healing Mass during the season of Lent and a support group meeting for all who are affected by the disease of alcoholism will take place at Church of St. Mary, 20 Legion Place, Closter on Saturday, March 18th at 12:00 Noon. Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of not only the man/woman directly affected with the abuse of alcohol or drugs, but also for anyone involved in the life of the alcoholic or drug addict. For information, please call 201-768-7565.

#### **INCLUSIVE FAMILY MASS**

An Inclusive Family Mass will be held for persons with disabilities and their families on Saturday, March  $18^{th}$  at 10:20AM in the Lover Level Chapel of the Cathedral Basilica, Newark. Bishop Manuel Cruz will be the presider.

#### THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Neighborhood Band will have their Annual Extravaganza at The Elan, Route 46, Lodi, on Saturday April 29th from 6:00-11:00PM. Featured will be a cocktail hour from 6:00-7:00PM, dinner, 4 hour open bar, live entertainment and dancing, featuring the beautiful voices of Blue Lilly, the comedy of Eric Haft, Tina Giorgi, and Richie Byrne. Donations are \$95 per person and must be paid by April 17th. Reserve early as tickets are limited. For tickets call Ross at 201-945-3978.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSSS

Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday in Lent at 7:00PM. Each week a guest seminarian will give a reflection on the stations. This Friday our speaker will be Seminarian Andrew Prickel speaking on the fifth and sixth Stations.

#### ANNUAL LENTEN SOUP SUPPER

Our parish will again be holding our Annual Lenten Soup Supper on Saturday, April 1st after the 5:00PM Mass. Dinner will be served continuously between 6:00-8:00PM. The all-you-can-eat dinner will feature a number of delicious fresh-made soups, salad, a variety of breads, a wide assortment of cakes and desserts, and soda/coffee/tea. Free-will monetary donations will be accepted (suggested donation of \$10 per person), and all proceeds will benefit the Epiphany Community Food Pantry. All are invited to attend. Please reserve your seats in advance by contacting the rectory at 201-943-7320.

#### **BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS**

There will be a bus trip to the Sands Bethlehem on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Bus leaves at about 9:00AM and returns at about 6:00PM. Tickets are \$35 per person with \$20 back for play and \$5 for food. Proceeds will benefit the Heritage Fund. Tickets must be paid by April 20<sup>th</sup>. Call the rectory for reservations at 201-943-7320.

#### PARISH PICTURES ONLINE

Don't forget to check out our online Parish Photo Album and view hundreds of pictures from recent parish events and activities, holy days and holidays at <a href="www.flickr.com/epiphanyrcchurch">www.flickr.com/epiphanyrcchurch</a> View historical photos from our parish archives cataloguing our 101-year legacy. It's free and easy to use. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook too at <a href="www.facebook.com/epiphanychurch">www.facebook.com/epiphanychurch</a>

#### IRS VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

Free, confidential, one-on-one tax preparation services for qualifying members of the community will be held at Seton Hall Law School, 833 McCarter Highway, Newark beginning on March 17th. Services are on Fridays from 2:00-6:00PM and on Saturdays from 11:00AM-3:00PM. After 5:00PM Fridays and on Saturdays, visit the front desk at Seton Hall Law School, One Newark Center, around the corner on Raymond Boulevard.

#### **CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER**

The following activities will take place at the Cliffside Park Senior Activity Center: March 17 – Bergen Equestrian Park & Lunch – 9:30AM; March 22 – Dinner & Movie – Manchester by the Sea at 4:00PM - \$5; March 23 – Healthy Eating with HUMC@ Palisades – 10:45AM; March 24 – Eye Screening with Phillips Eye – 10:00AM-12 Noon; March 24 – High Society Tea Luncheon – 11:00AM - \$15; March 29 – Atrium Concert; March 30 – Physical Therapy with Dr. Zaccone – 10:45M.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Marion Calabrese, Andree Degedrinsky, Natalie Lopac, Giulio Scoccimarro, Marta Coelho, Ann Callagher, Esther Evertz, Gloria Masella, Peter Bertinato, Mario Pajar, John Hroncich, Anna Tarabokija, Joseph DeMiglio, Efrem Lavrido, Baby Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Lorraine Noack, Mary Bunero, Cabrini Lepis, Erica Duran, Sister Kieran O'Riordan, Riccardo & Delia Mattessich, Roger Cook, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynols, Baby Ella Grace Gavina, Sister Rosemary McGavin, Luisa Vlacich, Andrew Mircovich, Marie Gagliardi, Arianna Cappola, Frances Ianuale, Dr. Bridget Sonesson, Hilda Borroto, Grace Siccardi, Tara Grassani, Maryann Ascione, Barbara Bicocchi, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynols, Ivan Skrivanic.

# PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Michael Del Bianco, Matthew Koziol, Francine Intemann, Helen Corrado.